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In re application of: Hirayanagi

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METHODS AND DEVICES FOR CHARGED-
PARTICLE-BEAM MICROLITHOGRAPHY,
AND MICROELECTRONIC-DEVICE
MANUFACTURING METHODS

COMPRISING SAME

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

This responds to the Office action dated July 18, 2003. Please amend the referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.

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